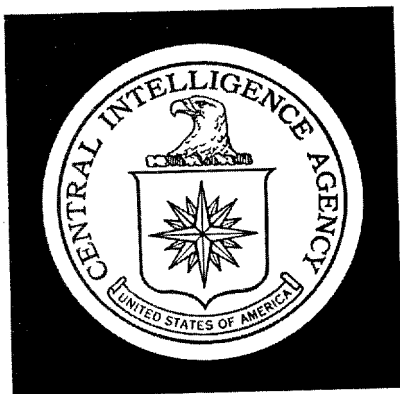


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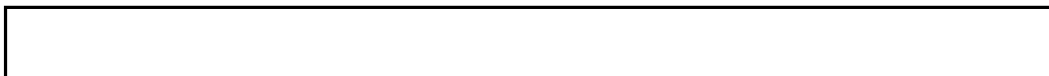
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1. JORDAN

The Arab-Israeli crisis has placed Jordan in a precarious position in relation to its "progressive" Arab neighbors. There is a danger that the Egyptian-Israeli confrontation will lead to intensified efforts, at least on the part of certain radical Arab groups, to overthrow King Husayn--an objective frequently heralded in the radical camp as a necessary first step toward the "liberation" of Palestine.

Because it is identified in the Arab world as an ally of the "pro-Israel" US, King Husayn's regime is especially vulnerable now to external and internal efforts to undermine it. Inevitably, anti-Israeli war fever has risen markedly among Husayn's Palestinian subjects, and Nasir's prestige among them has increased.

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The Jordanian Government is attempting to trim its sails to the prevailing radical sentiment in the Arab world, but it is questionable whether these efforts will be sufficient to resolve Husayn's predicament. Indeed, while he must make this attempt if he is to survive, he also runs the risk of facilitating radical efforts to remove him if he goes too far in trying to reach an accommodation.

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2. CUBA PLEDGES TO SUPPORT SUBVERSION

Cuba's admission of complicity in the landing of guerrillas in Venezuela on 8 May is a measure of the Castro regime's commitment to violent revolution. In openly admitting involvement in the incident, Cuba effectively laid to rest any suspicion that the affair was staged by Venezuelan officials to provide "proof" of Cuban intervention.

A communiqué made public in Havana on 18 May acknowledged that three infiltrators captured by Venezuelan forces after the landing were Cuban nationals, and defiantly announced that "we indeed are giving help, and shall continue to give help as many times as we may be asked to do so, to all the revolutionary movements fighting against imperialism in any part of the world." Although the communiqué was issued in the name of the central committee of the Cuban Communist Party, it bears all the marks of Fidel Castro's flamboyant and aggressive style.

The communiqué may have been precipitated by frustration over several reverses the Cubans have experienced in foreign intelligence operations

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The communiqué makes it clear, however, that Castro will persist in efforts to provide material support for active anti-imperialist insurgency movements.

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